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The Weekly Ledger
For its Reliable Market
Reports, County Govern-
ment Service, Stock
Notes and Agricultural
Matters Generally.
Strictly a Home Journal

The One Big Clothing and Shoe Buy

OF MANY YEARS. Even the House of

Phillips HAVE NEVER BEFORE GIVEN YOU THIS



Extraordinary Clean-Up Sale

Starts Saturday, December 26th (and will continue for two weeks, only)

This season we shall extend our discounts on every SUIT, OVERCOAT, SHOE, HAT, CAP, SHIRT, WORK GARMENT, UNDERGARMENT—in fact, every article in our store; to

20 % 33 1/2 % 50 %

20 % on ALL OF OUR NEWEST SUITS and O'COATS, (including our Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothing) Shoes and other wears; 33 1/2 % and 50 % on many broken lots and small sizes, selected from every department.

20 Per Cent on Men's and Young Men's Newest Suits

\$10.00 qualities, sale price \$8.00
12.50 qualities, sale price 10.00
15.00 qualities, sale price 12.00
18.00 qualities, sale price 14.40
20.00 qualities, sale price 16.00
22.50 qualities, sale price 18.00
25.00 Hart Schaffner 20.00

20 Per Cent on Children's Newest Suit and O'Coats

\$1.50 qualities, sale price \$1.20
2.50 qualities, sale price 2.00
3.00 qualities, sale price 2.40
3.50 qualities, sale price 2.80
5.00 qualities, sale price 4.00
6.00 qualities, sale price 4.80

20 Per Cent Discount on Work Garments

\$1.10 Carhartt Jackets88
1.10 Carhartt Overalls88
2.50 Fish Brand Slickers 2.00
.50 Overalls40
.75 Overalls60
1.00 Overalls80
1.00 Khaki Pants80
1.50 Whipcord Pants 1.20
2.50 Corduroy Pants 2.00
3.00 Corduroy Pants 2.40
4.00 Corduroy Pants 3.20
.50 Blue Chambray Shirts40
1.50 Duck Coats 1.20
2.50 Duck Coats 2.00
3.00 Whipcord Coats 2.40
4.00 Corduroy Coats 3.20

20 Per Cent on Men's and Young Men's Newest O'coats

\$ 8.00 qualities, sale price \$6.40
9.00 qualities, sale price 7.20
10.00 qualities, sale price 8.00
12.50 qualities, sale price 10.00
15.00 qualities, sale price 12.00
16.50 qualities, sale price 13.20
18.00 qualities, sale price 14.40
20.00 qualities, sale price 16.00
22.50 qualities, sale price 18.00
25.00 qualities, sale price 20.00

20 Per Cent Discount on Sweaters

\$.50 Sweaters40
1.00 Sweaters80
1.50 Sweaters 1.20
2.00 Sweaters 1.60
2.50 Sweaters 2.00
3.50 Sweaters 2.80
5.00 Sweaters 4.00

20 Per Cent Discount on Balmain Coats

\$ 8.50 qualities, sale price \$ 6.80
10.00 qualities, sale price 8.00
12.50 qualities, sale price 10.00
15.00 qualities, sale price 12.00
18.00 qualities, sale price 14.40
20.00 qualities, sale price 16.00
25.00 qualities, sale price 20.00

20 Per Cent Discount on Trousers

\$1.00 qualities80
1.50 qualities 1.20
2.00 qualities 1.60
2.50 qualities 2.00
3.00 qualities 2.40
4.00 qualities 3.20
5.00 qualities 4.00
6.00 qualities 4.80

AT SALE PRICES, EVERY-THING CASH

Here are Dollars figured out for you and coming from us means on best known brands

20 Per Cent Discount on Shoes

\$1.50 work shoes \$1.20
2.00 work shoes 1.60
2.50 work shoes 2.00
3.00 work shoes 2.40
3.50 Walk-Over 2.80
4.00 Walk-Over 3.20
4.50 Walk-Over 3.60
5.00 Walk-Over 4.00

20 Per Cent Discount on Underwear

\$.50 Shirts and Drawers40
1.00 Shirts and Drawers80
1.50 Shirts and Drawers 1.20
2.00 Shirts and Drawers 1.60
1.00 Union Suits80
1.50 Union Suits 1.20
2.00 Union Suits 1.60
2.50 Union Suits 2.00
3.00 Heavy Wool 2.40
4.00 Wool and Silk 3.20

20 Per Cent Discount on Hats and Caps

\$.50 Hats and Caps40
1.00 Hats and Caps80
1.50 Hats and Caps 1.20
2.00 Hats and Caps 1.60
2.50 Hats and Fur Caps 2.00
3.50 Hats and Fur Caps 2.80
4.00 Stetsons 3.20
4.50 Stetsons 3.60

CHARITY DAY' WORK FOR THE BELGIANS COMPLETED

On Monday afternoon the local Belgian Relief Committee shipped to the Missouri Charity Committee at St. Louis thirty-five barrels of flour, two boxes of canned food stuffs and about one thousand pounds of clothing. The stores have made liberal donations. A large number of women have knitted and crocheted during the last weeks. Of the second hand clothing, much was in such condition that it was practically as good as new. Many treasured garments were brought forth from chests, where they had been carefully packed in lavender (awaiting a convenient season for re-making), and sent across the seas. The ladies of the various church societies renovated all of the clothing, and the local cleaning establishment cleaned and pressed any garments which needed repairs as a contribution to the work.

The daily papers gave much space, for which we are especially grateful because their space is valuable for Christmas advertising.

We have regarded it as a privilege to have some small part in alleviating the terrible suffering in the war zone, and to all who have assisted in any way the Committee offers its cordial thanks. With this gift, the contributors regardless of creed or nationality send the earnest wish that this greatest of all wars may soon end, that the "war drum may beat no longer" and the "battle flag be forever furled in the Federation of the world."

The following list of cash contributors is furnished by Miss Sproul, the Treasurer:

The Belgian Relief Committee of Mexico, Missouri, up to the date has the following report to make. If, through the holidays more donations are offered they will be gladly received and sent to the Missouri Charity Committee in St. Louis. From there all contributions whether of money, flour or clothing are sent to the New York Committee which is thoroughly organized and in touch with the Belgian needs.

The donation of \$5.00 is equivalent to a barrel of flour. The money collected as listed below has been paid for flour bought at home from the Wm. Pollock Milling and Elevator Co. They are selling the flour at cost. The Committee has endeavored to adjust economic needs while responding to the call of the starving, freezing penniless Belgians.

Miss Ida Rosamond	5.00
Presbyterian Sabbath school	25.00
Sproul Academy	5.00
Wednesday Club	5.00
Daughters Amer. Rev.	5.00
The King's Daughters	5.00
Christian Ch. Sabbath school	20.00
Mrs. Dr. Varnon	5.00
Rev. Dr. Sanford	1.00
Walter Sannebeck	1.50
G. W. Robertson	15.00
Hardin Alumnae	5.00
W. H. Ritchie	5.00
Tom and Howard Reed	1.00
King Brinsmate & Co. St. Louis	5.00
Miss Sweeney	.25
U. D. C.	1.00
Mrs. Chas. Carpenter	1.00
A. Friend	1.00
Mrs. Robt. Arnold	.25
Mrs. C. A. Bledsoe	1.00
Mrs. B. G. Reavis	.50
Cash	.25
Cash	.65
Dr. Bragg	1.00
Mrs. Sehaser	2.00
G. F. Clark	5.00
Mrs. Fuede	.25
Frances Flint and Crystal Wil- liams, Molino	2.50
Baptist Sabbath school	5.00
Prof. Motley's S. S. class	5.00
Miscellaneous	1.45
Miss Linnie Allison and brother G. W. Allison	5.00
Elks Lodge	5.00
Mrs. Margaret Cave	1.00
Wm. Pollock and Co.	15.00
A. K. Luckie	2.00
F. W. Bickley	1.00
J. G. Crawford Molino	5.00
Total	\$175.00
Carrie B. Sproul, Treasurer.	

JOHN R. TOMPKINS DEAD.
John R. Tompkins, senior member and stockholder of the Tompkins, Christian & Alexander Dry Goods Company, Fulton, was found dead in his bed in the Palace Hotel at seven o'clock Monday morning.

Funeral services were held at the Presbyterian Church in Fulton at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, the Masons having charge of the services. The sermon was preached by Rev. E. F. Abbott.

Mr. Tompkins had been a citizen of Fulton for about forty-five years and was well known in Mexico.

TOWN "ELECTS" POSTMASTER.
Centralia, Mo., Dec. 23.—A Democratic primary election called by Congressman D. W. Shackelford was held Tuesday to nominate a candidate for the Centralia Post Office, to succeed E. J. Schmidt, the Republican Postmaster, whose term expires February 1, 1915. There were eight candidates in the race, and the largest vote ever known was cast. Frank M. Traugher received the highest number of votes, and will be named by Congressman Shackelford for the appointment.

Sam K. Black, Sr. Dead.
Sam K. Black, Sr., a prominent druggist in Fulton for many years, died at his home in that city, Monday night after being in ill health for several years. Miss Helen Heagler, of this city married Sam K. Black, Jr., a son, and Fred Black, another son, is well known in this city. The Ledger joins friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved.

Money to Loan
on improved farms. See us. North Missouri Trust Co. 42w1

Miss Rose Crews is the guest of relatives at Columbia.

FINAL ADMINISTRATION SALE

Joseph BARTH Estate

Beginning Saturday, December 26, \$34,000.00 in men's and boys' clothing and furnishing goods will be quickly converted into cash before final inventory. Remember the BARTH record of more than a third of a century of value-giving (we buy with seven other big stores.) And now the orders to the executor are imperative that prices on all the standard lines be shattered as follows:

Men's Overcoats and Suits	Children's Overcoats and Suits
BARTH \$10.00 Qualities \$6.85	BARTH \$6.00 Qualities \$4.55
BARTH \$15.00 Qualities \$10.85	BARTH \$3.00 Qualities \$2.15
BARTH \$20.00 Qualities \$14.85	MEN'S PANTS
BARTH \$25.00 Qualities \$18.85	BARTH \$5.00 Pants \$3.85
Balmacaens and Mackinaws Included	BARTH 2.50 Pants \$1.85
Furnishing Goods	Work Goods
Linen Collars 9c	BARTH \$3.00 corduroy coats \$2.35
25c Knit and silk ties 17c	BARTH \$2.00 corduroy pants \$1.55
BARTH \$1.00 wool caps 79c	BARTH \$2.50 flannel shirts \$1.95
BARTH \$3.50 sweaters, all styles \$2.65	50c work shirts, not more than 3 to customer 37c
Boy's \$1.50 and \$1.25 sweaters 95c	75c heavy jersey shirts 55c
Double-fleece shirts and drawers 38c	Double-palmed cotton flannel mitts 3c
\$1.50 mushroom shirts and others \$1.15	35c heavy wool socks 27c

Impossible to list all items. See Intelligencer for other reductions on furnishing goods and work goods.

The stock has been appraised and we shall have extra service to help us during this final Administration Sale.

LOUIS L. BARTH,
Executor Joseph Barth Estate

Grows Large Lemons.

Mrs. A. C. Kunkel, of this city, brought two immense lemons to this office, Tuesday, each one measuring almost 11 inches around. They were raised at her home in this city on a tree about 4 feet high. The crop this year consisted of four large lemons.

Receives Handsome Camera.

Ben C. Barnes has his fine new Auto-Graflex camera, one of the finest in the city. Mr. Barnes is an amateur photographer of no small ability and with his new machine will be enabled to take pictures of all kinds.

Sister of Mrs. Wilburn Dead.

Miss Bettie Bradley, 72 years old, died last Sunday at the home of her brother, H. S. Bradley, in Elsberry. Miss Bradley was a sister of Mrs. John Wilburn, of this city. The funeral and burial took place at Elsberry.

Saloon License Raise Defeated.

Sedalia, Mo., Dec. 21.—In the City Council Monday night an ordinance introduced by Dr. J. E. Cannady, raising the cost of saloon licenses from \$600 a year to \$1,000 was defeated. There are more than 30 saloons in Sedalia.

BROTHER'S AVENGER SLAIN

Columbia, Mo., Dec. 22.—Al James, a barber, is in jail here for killing Abe Sublette, one of a Boone County family of six brothers noted for their jamish spirit. Two weeks ago James knocked down Jake Sublette, one of the brothers. Early Sunday in a lurch room, Abe Sublette took up the quarrel. He dared James to hit him. James struck Sublette in the face. They clinched and James shot Sublette twice.

Family Horse Dies.

"Bill," the property of Sam Morris, his family horse for the past 23 years, and whose age Mr. Morris claims is 28 years old, died Monday night. "Bill," for several years has not been used but allowed to run at will on a pasture and spend his declining years in peace and plenty. Every member of the Morris family was very closely attached to the faithful animal.

START RIGHT

The New Year will soon be here, you want your property looked after. Sold, Rented and Insured. I will be pleased to look after your business and you will be pleased if I look after it. Come and see me. Thanking all for past favors and wishing every one a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
19-24 43-24 W. Hardin Rixey.

Home Party at Mrs. Cave's.

Mrs. Dr. Fraker of Shelbyville, Ill., formerly well known in Mexico as Miss Neva French, with her four children will be the guests of Mrs. E. S. Cave during the holidays. J. M. Pollard, wife, and daughter of Kansas City, will also visit the Cave during Christmas, and a jolly good time is anticipated by all.

Farm For Trade.

For Trade—Improved 50 acre Audrain County farm for city residence. 42w1 North Missouri Trust Co.

WARD POLITICS IN THE SENATE

EVERY little while the people wish they had either men or manikins in the Senate, and not a collection of ward politicians. The scramble of Senators for patronage to further their own political fortunes—and their financial ones also is often suspected—is on the same low level seen in the wards of our great cities.

Just now it is being shown in a combine to hold up the President and compel him to let a lot of Senators dictate appointments for their personal benefit.

President Wilson is in the midst of the most trying ordeal any President has endured since Lincoln. He is confronted with the problem of keeping the nations of America—others as well as our own—out of destructive involvement in the great war, and our industrial activities created by the war, and the general work of reform in our domestic affairs.

This is a herculean task, almost a crushing task.

It is well weighted down with this burden, while hearing it in a way to command the admiration and the approval of the entire nation—political opponents of the unconceivable sort only excepted—that these patronage hunters seek to embrace him, to hamper him in securing legislation and to make him stand and deliver.

offices, with utter disregard of their duty to him and to the nation.

Every shred of political patronage should be taken from Congress. The Senate and the House should give themselves up to legislation and let administration alone. That is what the constitution declares to be their duty. That is what they would do if the spirit of the ward politician did not animate them in place of the spirit of statesmanship.

Since Senators are now elected by the people, they should be able to cut loose from the politicians and the old political pie methods, and stand on their merits as men of ability and force of character. It was to put an end to the old machine methods of choosing Senators that the constitution was amended to compel them to go direct to the people. That is the source of their authority.—St. Louis Star.

THE Ledger is delighted to know that the subscriptions have all been secured for the extension of the electric railroad, and that work will begin just as soon as the weather will permit. If nothing happens, Mexico should have a prosperous 1915, especially if we can get two or three miles more of street paving put down. That's the way to make a city grow.

COL. J. R. LOWELL of the Mober-

ly Democrat will take charge of the

Moberly Post Office the first of January, and will make a splendid official. Jim is one of Missouri's most successful newspaper men, and we all wish him abundant success but hate to lose him from the newspaper profession.

THE Warrenton Banner, this week

published a very creditable Fiftieth Anniversary and Historical Number. The Warrenton Banner is one of the leading newspapers of Missouri and this special edition is filled with good news, special articles and well set advertisements.

THE ladies who are going to observe

the good old-fashioned custom of keeping open house on New Year's Day should notify the Ledger so we can make announcements for them. We understand several Mexican women are thinking of reviving this most popular custom.

THE organized charity fund as

published in the Ledger grows steadily every day, and several more subscriptions are expected between now and Christmas Day.

THIS country is not militaristic, but

it would like to get its money's worth for the great sums it spends on its little army.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR R. R. EXTENSION ARE ACCEPTED

Judge W. W. Botts Received List From Secretary, R. E. Race, For Owners of Line.

WORK MAY START SOON

E. G. Starkey Raised \$120 By Subscriptions of \$10 Each—Other New Subscription.

The Mexico Investment and Construction Co. has accepted the subscriptions made by Mexico citizens for the extension of the electric line from Molino to Santa Fe "with the understanding that the company and its members will endeavor to the utmost to put the road through to Santa Fe in the shortest possible time without further help from Mexico."

Judge W. W. Botts, secretary of

the company, said he could make no statement in regard to when work would open fully on the extension until he had consulted Marshall Rust, president of the company. Some work is going on now and it is probable it will open in earnest as soon as the weather permits. The extension will

be built and cars will be put in operation

from Mexico to Santa Fe before any portion of the subscription shall be paid.

E. G. Starkey, who started to raise \$100 in subscription of \$10 each for the extension at the Commercial Club luncheon, last Friday, turned over to Secretary R. E. Race, Wednesday, subscriptions for \$120. Six of the subscribers to his fund have been published and the remainder are: C. W. Candy, \$10; Charles Baulage, \$10; H. C. Black, \$10; F. P. Kelso, \$10; Pearl Duty, \$10; Andrew A. Hunsaker, \$10; Another subscription not before published is that of Haskell Bros., \$25.

Mrs. Aylette Britt Dead.

Mrs. Catherine Britt, 40 years old, wife of the Rev. Aylette A. Britt, who was formerly pastor of the Mexico circuit of the Methodist church, died at Kansas City, Monday morning. The body was taken to Fulton for burial Wednesday. Mrs. Britt is survived by her husband and two young sons. She was the daughter of the late James Henderson and her mother still lives at Fulton. Mr. Britt is a nephew of Mrs. J. O. Edmonston, of this city. The Ledger joins in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved.

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